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**INDIANA HOMELAND SECURITY FOUNDATION  
ANNOUNCES NEW SCHOLARSHIP**

**Indianapolis** – The Indiana Homeland Security Foundation has announced the creation of a new scholarship program for students interested in pursuing careers in public safety.

The Hoosier Safety Scholarship Program is for Indiana residents who are interested in a higher education degree and who currently volunteer with a local public safety organization. Incoming and continuing students are both eligible to apply. Hoosier Safety Scholarships at \$2,000 for full-time students and \$1,000 for part-time students can be awarded to applicants enrolled in an accredited college in Indiana.

“This new scholarship represents a great opportunity for our agency to contribute to the future of public safety in Indiana,” said Indiana Department of Homeland Security Executive Director J. Eric Dietz. “We are proud that we can make this scholarship available to help Hoosiers who desire to make a difference in their communities through a career in public safety.”

The Indiana Homeland Security Foundation recently approved \$40,000 for the creation of this scholarship program. The revenue for the Foundation is generated largely through the sales of “Hoosier Safety” license plates.

More information about the Hoosier Safety Scholarship Program and a link to the application can be found by going to the Indiana Department of Homeland Security Web site at <http://www.in.gov/dhs> and clicking on the Hoosier Safety license plate at the bottom of the home page.

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